



**WOODLAWN COPPER-ZINC UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
Community Consultation Committee**

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 24 September 2025

Start: 6.00pm

Tarago Town Hall, Wallace Street, Tarago.

Item	Minutes	Follow Up By
Meeting Opened: 6.05pm		Meeting Closed: 7.14 pm
Attendees 1. David Johnson (Chair) (DJ) 2. Scott Martin (Goulb. Mul. Council, Director Planning & Environment) (SM) 3. Danae Vitnell (Goulb.Mul. Council, Econ Devp. Mgr.) (DV) 4. Henry Gundry - Community Representative (HG) 5. Judy Alcock - Community Representative (JA) 6. Lynne O'Brien - Community Representative (LOB) 7. Chris Taylor (Develop) (CT) 8. Ngaire Baker (Develop) (NB)	Apologies 1. Mayor Nina Dillon - Goulb. Mul. Council 2. Denzil Sturgiss – Community Representative 3. Justin Houghton - Veolia Woodlawn Eco-Precinct Manager	
1. Welcome: DJ opened the meeting at 1.05pm. 2. Acknowledgement of Country: Led by DJ. Acknowledging the Gundungurra people and their Elders past and present as the Traditional Owners of the land on which the meeting is being held. 3. Apologies: Advised and recorded. 4. Recording: The committee agreed that the meeting could be recorded by NB.		
5. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest. Standing Declaration; DJ is remunerated by DEVELOP for Chairing the CCC Meetings.		
6. Correspondence. Nil		
7. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held 12 June 2025. Minutes from the meeting were accepted as a true record and are available on the DEVELOP website. https://www.develop.com.au/corporate-governance/ccc-meeting-minutes/		

<p>8. Matters Arising from previous minutes.</p> <p>Nil.</p>	
<p>9. Woodlawn Operations Update - CT</p> <p>It is business as usual, not too much change. We are working to a steady state with approximately 250 -260 employees currently on site and we are achieving up to 60,000 tonnes per month. With further development underground we have a target to extend the mine life to 15 years from the current 10-year approval. Aiming to release results by the end of 2025 or early 2026.</p> <p>Exploration drilling will also take place on a small number of holes on mining leases in the Collector Road area in the coming months. We are currently talking to landowners. HG asked if a Modification would be required if Develop extended to 15 years? CT said no, because we would still be under our current approval of 1.5Mt. SM added that it seems there is a common theme that Woodlawn are exceeding expectation. CT said, overall, we de-risk and put the resources where they are needed. We are achieving good results throughout the operation.</p> <p>CT explained in detail a recent EPA investigation and the background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 2025 the EPA completed additional surface water sampling and published the resulting report on their website, DEVELOP received a copy of this report in August. • DEVELOP is not under investigation and we have no current EPA breaches, however, we are referred to on the website and sampling results as an adjacent site user. This issue has nothing to do with Woodlawn mine. • We have reviewed the results and compared it to our own extensive monitoring and sampling program and wish to provide some further detail on our monitoring network and results to provide assurance of DEVELOPs commitment to our surrounding environment. • Monitoring data and reports are always available on our website and are regularly updated. <p>DJ asked about access to the report, CT said it was available on the EPA website and HG asked if it was an internal report generated by the EPA? CT replied, yes and we have been made aware of the EPA’s concerns; however, we are not responsible. LOB raised a question about water reporting and if DEVELOP had clear data and if it was available to the public? CT responded that yes, the information is contained in our Annual Report which will be available on our website as soon as the regulatory bodies have approved the current Report. All previous years are available. HG mentioned that the EPA has been in touch with his family and neighbours regarding water sampling, they are looking at water bores, stock use and domestic use.</p> <p>Overview of DEVLEOPs water monitoring program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Map indicating DEVELOP water monitoring sample sites provided to attendees. NB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We maintain an extensive water monitoring system in the area surrounding the site. • There are key groundwater and surface water locations which we have reliable analytical data from the mid-1980s onwards. • DEVELOP has located other historical documents which contain analytical data even earlier, back to 1971. The area has been documented to have naturally poor water quality. • Rock formations in the area are naturally high in metals and sulphates which is how the mine was located, by completing soil and surface water sampling nearby, especially in Crisps Creek. 	<p>ACTION: NB email link to the Annual Report.</p>

Review of EPA water sampling findings: 29 April 2025

- AL02 is the only site that is noted to be closest to a DEVELOP managed part of the site
- We routinely sample other adjacent sites: 115, 105, Pylara and 109. We have data from 150 but as this is located on private property, we no longer regularly sample this.
- EPA sampled during low rainfall conditions which limited sampling to pools rather than flowing streams: When the waterways are flowing the concentrations are likely to be lower and be less affected by salts on the surface of soils.
- Electrical conductivity (EC) is used as a measure of the salts in the water. DEVELOP have not recorded any increasing trends in our dataset for EC or metals.
- Low concentrations of PFAS chemicals were detected. PFAS is known to be associated with landfills. There is more information on the EPA website about these.
- DEVELOP have no data or other reasoning that would indicate PFAS has originated from our mining operations.

Tree Planting

- A total of 4,832 trees were planted on site during the last financial year.

Develop Transport – Qube

- Image of a QUBE truck was provided to attendees. NB
 - With production underway, we have commenced transporting concentrate from Woodlawn to Port Kembla. Our transport provider is QUBE.
 - Our Transport Management Plan ensures that:
 - Trucks operate **between 7.00am and 10.00pm, seven days a week.**
 - On **official school days**, trucks are restricted from travelling through the **Goulburn Mulwaree Council area** and **Collector Road** during:
 - 8.00am – 9.30am
 - 2.30pm – 4.00pm

JA noted that it is a great idea to share the transport information with the community. Thank you for including in the Tarago Times, the more information you share the better.

Camp Construction

- The Accommodation Camp Development Application to QPRC is progressing and we are looking to their meeting on 22 October to present the DA. This date is to be confirmed.
- We are continuing with accommodating employees in various Queanbeyan Motels and The Loaded Dog, Tarago. We are currently looking at options for 46 rooms in the short term.

SM asked if DEVELOP received any insight into the public exhibition phase and if there were many submissions received? CT replied that we were given insight and that no submissions were received.

Tailings Storage Facility (TSF4) Expansion

- Currently in the detailed design phase.
- Transitioning from Stage 1 (currently nearing capacity) towards Stages 2 and 3.
- We are working actively towards commencing the Stage 2 lift in Q1, 2026.
- All relevant governing bodies—including Dams Safety NSW and the Resource Regulator—will be informed ahead of any works commencing.
- Regulatory compliance and due diligence are being undertaken throughout this process.

ACTION:
NB email link to the DEVELOP Annual Report.

ACTION:
NB provide a Map of the Camp Construction site for viewing at next CCC Meeting.

NB Arrange a date in 2026 for CCC to tour the site.

<p>10. Community Update - NB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No complaints have been received since last CCC meeting. • Social Risk Assessment undertaken by DEVELOP. • Community update including recent site visits, attendance at careers expos, TAFE, high schools, universities, and connections with local businesses and organisations regarding sponsorship opportunities, community consultation and keeping neighbours informed of site activities. • NB advised that the DEVELOP Woodlawn team will be hosting – “Coffee & Chat at the Chubby Cat Café” Tarago, Tuesday 14 October from 9.30am-11.30am. A casual gathering for the community to ask questions and get to know members of the DEVELOP team. The advertising flyer was handed to all CCC members. 	
<p>11. General Business - All</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CCC expressed their continued support for Woodlawn and noted again the benefits to the local and wider community. 	
<p>12. Next Meeting: <u>Wednesday 25 February 2026</u> from 6.00pm at The Tarago Town Hall, followed by dinner at The Loaded Dog, Wallace Street, Tarago.</p> <p>Meeting closed: 7.14pm</p> <p><u>Note:</u> All CCC, community and associated documents are located on www.develop.com.au</p>	